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In re Application of
Kiener et al.
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed January 9, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the final Office action mailed March 31, 2003. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were timely obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on July 1, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on November 18, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center 1700 for processing of the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and the petition not to apply a restriction requirement filed with the instant petition.

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